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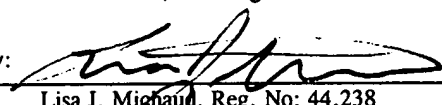
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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby cites for the record in this application the enclosed document listed on the attached copy of PTO Form 1449. In accordance with 37 CFR §1.98(d), a copy of the reference is not submitted herewith insofar as it is believed to be in the Examiner's file already. The reference was previously cited in United States Patent Application No. 09/966,765 filed on September 28, 2001


In addition, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, §1.97 and §1.98, Applicants hereby make of record the additional enclosed reference. A copy of the cited reference and PTO Form 1449 accompanies this filing.

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